

THE ARGUS

LODGE DIRECTORY.

Neuse Lodge No. 6, I. O. O. F., meets every Tuesday evening, at 8:00 o'clock, in Odd Fellows Hall.—Cordial welcome to visitors.

Wayne Lodge No. 112, A. F. & A. M., meets 1st and 3rd Monday evenings, 7:30 o'clock, in Odd Fellows Hall. Visiting brothers heartily welcomed.

Ruffin Lodge No. 6, K. of P., meets every Friday evening, 8:00 o'clock in Odd Fellows Hall. Knightly welcome to visitors.

Goldsboro Council No. 39, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, meets every Wednesday evening, 7:30 o'clock, in Odd Fellows Hall. Cordial welcome to all visiting brethren.

OUR LOCAL OPTIC.

The death of Mr. Louis Gaylor occurred last Thursday at his home out beyond Greenleaf. He was about 60 years of age and was well known in this city.

A destructive hail storm visited the section of this county between here and Pikeville Thursday afternoon and did much damage to vegetation.

The Knights of Pythias Brass Band will head the procession on Memorial Day. The several Companies of the Fire Department, the two Military Companies and the Graded School children will also be in line, Goldsboro can get up as good a parade as any town in the State.

We publish elsewhere in this issue the official statements of Goldsboro's two banks, and it is with pride that we invite an inspection of their splendid showing. Their excellent condition reflects the healthful, substantial business progress of Goldsboro, and gives assurance to the world at large that business is conducted here on a wholesome and sound basis.

Mr. John Langston, of the force of clerks at the store of Southerland, Brinkley & Co., was married in Norfolk on Wednesday to Miss Mary Russ, who was visiting relatives in that city. The event was quite a surprise to the friends of the happy young couple and not until Friday morning was the occurrence made public, but not too late for congratulations to be in order.

"The American," a daily newspaper published in Manila, P. I., dated February 25th, has just been received by Dr. Thos. Hill. The issue contains an account of a fight at Sara in which Dr. Paul Hutton took part. He accompanied the expedition only as a surgeon, but the correspondent in his narrative of the principal incidents gives Dr. Hutton high credit for the manner in which he used his Winchester, saying that "he proved he could handle a rifle with as much nerve as a lancet."

Literary Note.

Upward of fifty writers and artists contribute to the May Ladies Home Journal, consequently variety is combined with excellence throughout its pages. Rudyard Kipling drolly tells of "The Beginning of the Armadillos." Mary B. Mullett writes of "The Real Thrums of Barrie," Clifford Howard, of "The Flower that Set a Nation Mad," Mabel Percy Haskell, of "A Famous Boston Belle," and the Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady continues his experiences as "Missionary in the Great West." Ian Maclaren's article answers the query "Is the Minister an Idler?" and Edward Bok writes of early marriage and of domestic science in the schools. Two pages of pictures, "Through Picturesque America"—the second of a series—reveal the beauties of our country's scenery. The drawings, "The American Girl on the Farm," by H. C. Christy, and "The Minister at Tea," by A. B. Frost, worthily fill a page each. Fashions for women and girl graduates, cooking, and in fact every phase of home making from the "Etiquette of Dances and Balls" to "How to Treat and Keep a Servant," are included in the May Journal. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN.

The coming eclipse is not only an American institution, but it is to be conducted on strictly sectional lines. The fifty-mile wide strip of totality will enter the United States in southern Louisiana passing over New Orleans, grazing Mobile, over Montgomery and Columbus, within twenty-five miles of Atlanta, near Macon, Augusta, Columbia and Charlotte, and over Raleigh and Norfolk. At the last named point it goes to sea, and about sunset it re-appears at Suez, just too late to be a further spectacle.

This will be the ninth total eclipse of the country visible in the United States, and if cloud formations do not prevent it will be photographed, and focussed and gazed at as an eclipse never was before. The hours of the eclipse are just after breakfast and about school time, although many schools will not be convened on the morning of May 28 until 10 o'clock.

The weather bureau advises observers from a distance to locate themselves in eastern Alabama or central Georgia, because these sections are generally free in the morning from clouds. They have a minimum of cloudiness as a rule, whereas the coast districts at either end of the line of totality have a maximum of it. The eclipse lasts, however, in Alabama and Georgia but 80 minutes against 100 minutes in North Carolina.

In this city the eclipse will be nearly total. At least nineteen-twentieths of the sun's bright morning face will be obscured. The chickens may not go to roost, but if they should it is safe to say they will be undisturbed, for the spectacle will appall the consciences of all raiders. All chickens should be encouraged to add to the picturesqueness and gossip of the display by going to their respective roosts.

An expert observer of eclipses says the best way to see it either in the path of totality or out of it is "to secure three strips of colored glass, one and a half inches wide by five inches long—red, green and blue—bind them over the eye end of a good opera glass, and adjust focus on the sun." As no other total eclipse of the sun will occur in this country until 1918 now is the time to get ready to see one, and North Carolina is in the center of the orchestra.

The government will locate an observatory at a point between Pinehurst and Southern Pines for the observation of the total eclipse of the sun May 28 next. It was at first thought that Raleigh would be selected as the point for the government observation of the great solar affair, but it is announced that the Southern Pines region has been chosen. The reason given is that Southern Pines is exactly in the path of totality.

Star-gazers from all parts of the world are coming to North Carolina to watch the eclipse. Wadesboro has been selected as the point of vantage by Princeton University for the observation of the eclipse of the sun.

Years and years ago astronomers with their charts, telescope and intricate system of calculations figured out the solar eclipse of May 28, 1900. They knew before the present generation of North Carolinians were born that absolute darkness in the middle of the day would reign throughout the State, and they marked down on their charts the points where the solar phenomena might be studied to the best interest of science.

While the eclipse can be seen over the whole country, it is only within the path of about fifty-five miles width that it appears as a total eclipse; outside of this path the sun is only par-

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tially obscured. The eclipse will begin early in the morning and consume approximately two hours and twenty-five minutes. Duration of totality, ninety seconds; in the midst of which stars will glow, planets emerge from obscurity, a chill strike through the atmosphere, dew fall and animals prepare to resume their night's repose.

What Has Made Charlotte.

Mr. Josephus Daniels, writing from Charlotte to his paper, the Raleigh News and Observer, a most interesting letter on general topics, says this of Charlotte's public roads.

"I was prepared to see great development and expansion here, but nothing like what my friend Chas. W. Tillet, Esq., pointed out in a drive from Dilworth to the other end of the city and in the suburbs Saturday afternoon. The improvement in the centre of the city is notable, but Charlotte has spread out with beautiful suburbs until you have to travel miles and miles to get into the country, and you may ride seventy-eight miles on fine macadam roads without ever coming to an old fashioned dirt road where your horse gets stuck in the mud. The beginning of Charlotte's new life can be traced to its work of road construction, begun by those two wise and progressive farmers, Capt. S. B. Alexander and Capt. W. E. Ardrey, who in material things have done as much for Mecklenburg as the immortal signers did for inaugurating the struggle for liberty. These two leaders and the others who put the Mecklenburg road law into operation may never have a monument erected to their memory in the public square, but for all time the men who swore because of bad roads will have an easier time traveling on "the straight and narrow road" because of the good roads leading into Charlotte from every direction. A gentleman tells me that the office of county commissioner is more sought after here than any other position because many public-spirited men in the county desire to be connected with the extension of the splendid road system that has not only made travelling a delight, but has steadily increased the area from which country trade is drawn. Farmers merchants and all see that road building has paid and is paying, and the man who would suggest that the work should be discontinued—well there isn't such a man in the county. The taxes are paid cheerfully and the only trouble at all is that the people of every section of the county wish it extended to their neighborhood."

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Report of the condition of THE NATIONAL BANK OF GOLDSBORO,

at Goldsboro, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business April 26, 1900.

RESOURCES.
Loans and discounts.....\$137,897.75
Overdrafts secured and unsecured..... 989.47
U. S. bonds to secure circulation..... 20,000.00
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures..... 6,000.00
Due from National Banks, (not reserve agents)..... 1,452.78
Due from State banks and bankers..... 133.47
Due from approved reserve agents..... 3,396.02
Cash on hand..... 18,576.70
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasury (5 p.c. of circulation)..... 400.00
Total.....\$188,756.19

LIABILITIES.
Capital stock paid in.....\$50,000.00
Surplus fund..... 5,500.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid..... 7,218.22
Nat'l bank notes outstanding..... 16,000.00
Due to State banks and bankers..... 930.00
Deposits..... 109,107.97
Total.....\$188,756.19

State of North Carolina, } ss
County of Wayne, }
I, J. M. Hollowell, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. M. HOLLOWELL, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of May, 1900.
J. S. CRAWFORD, N. P.
correct attest:
K. E. BIZZELL,
G. A. NORWOOD, JR.,
GEO. C. ROYALL, Directors.

STATEMENT OF BANK OF WAYNE.

Goldsboro, N. C., April 26, 1900.
RESOURCES.
Loans.....\$328,300.45
Overdrafts..... 6,187.16
Banking house.....\$15,215.76
Other Real Estate..... 2,193.32 17,409.08
Due from banks.....\$54,849.36
Cash on hand..... 34,357.04 89,206.40
Revenue stamps..... 46.00
Total.....\$441,149.09

LIABILITIES.
Capital stock.....\$125,000.00
Surplus..... 40,000.00
Undivided profits, net..... 15,679.01
Dividends unpaid..... 219.00
Due depositors.....249,566.13
Cashier's checks outstanding.....\$1,444.50
Due to Banks.....9,240.45 10,684.95
Total.....\$441,149.09

I, W. E. Borden, cashier of the Bank of Wayne, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
(Signed), W. E. BORDEN, Cashier
Correct attest:—Henry Lee,
(Signed), Henry Well,
F. K. Borden.
Directors.
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 3rd day of May, 1900.
Jno. W. Aycock, N. P.

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